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SUBJECT: TRSB/MLS

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1. EMBASSY OFFICER SPOKE WITH KALOMBO KABUNDI LUKUSA, OFFICER IN CHARGE OF CIVIL AVIATION AFFAIRS, ZAIRIAN DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MARCH 24 AND LEFT AN AIDE MEMOIRE WITH HIM SUMMARIZING THE POINTS MADE IN THE REFERENCED TELEGRAM. MR. KALOMBO CONFIRMED THAT FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ZAIRIAN REPRESENTATION AT THE MONTREAL CONFERENCE HAS BEEN GIVEN TO THE REGIE DES VOIES AERIENNES (RVA). HE SAID THAT IT IS THE DEPARTMENT'S POLICY TO SEND A DELEGATE TO A MEETING ONLY IF THE DISCUSSION COVERS POLITICAL MATTERS. THE ZAIRIAN GOVERNMENT, HE SAID, VIEWS THE CHOICE OF THE MLS AS A PURELY TECHNICAL MATTER, AND HAS LEFT REPRESENTATION AT THE CONFERENCE TO THE TECHNICIANS AT THE RVA.

2. KALOMBO SAID THAT NO OTHER COUNTRY HAD APPROACHED THE
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DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REGARDING MLS, BUT HE VAGUELY RECALLED HAVING SEEN A FILM ON THE DOPPLER SYSTEM WHEN HE WAS ABROAD.

3. EMBASSY EXPECTS TO SEE THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE RVA AND KONGA ISIELEKA ON MARCH 27. HOWEVER, ONE OF THE SOFREA VIA ADVISERS AT THE RVA TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER THAT HE UNDERSTOOD

THAT FRANCE HAD GIVEN UP DEVELOPING ITS OWN MLS AND PLANNED TO SUPPORT THE TRSB AT MONTREAL. HE SAID THAT A FRENCH COMPANY HAD OBTAINED LICENSE TO PRODUCE A PART OF THE TRSB SYSTEM.

4. WILL REPORT MARCH 27 ON OUTCOME OF TALKS WITH DIRECTOR GENERAL AND KONGA. FORMAL INVITATION FOR KONGA TO VISIT FAA WASHINGTON DELIVERED.
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